

does it become water again ? So a man
who has realised
will not again be worldly.

Mere form of religion is no good. By
rolling in
ashes does the ass become religious? He
who does
not realise truth but smears himself with
ashes is such
an ass. The important thing is the
practice of the
spirit of religion. What is the need of
discipline day
after day and of worship in addition? And
why should
the head be shaven if a man has truth on his
forehead?

Pilgrimages are unnecessary. Why go to
Benares, can
you tell me? When our Ferryman is
within, tell me
the reason for wandering. Truth is a drug
in the
backyard. Search not for it far and wide.
Search

where you are. Mortification of the flesh
is no way
to peace. He is a fool who says he will get
salvation
by torturing the body. If you hit the ant-
hill with a
log of wood will the serpent within die?

People who have realised will not
boast or talk
of it. Men gather about them as a matter
of course.
Does the mirror invite people to see it?
The man in
whom knowledge has blossomed is like
the mirror.
All talk of I know is mere falsehood. If
you know
say not you know. He only knows who can
keep his
mouth shut. If you know God you should
not talk.
If you know God and talk of it, it is as if
you went
to steal and coughed. Possession of the
world's goods
is no good. There is other more
important wealth.
How does position profit one who knows not

the self?
And to one who knows it how does
position matter?
The world is however not to be despised
nor the body,
This world is a place for realisation and
the body is
the instrument. Where is realisation for a
man after